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(54) **Method and device for detection of nucleic acid using total internal reflectance**

(57) An apparatus and method for detecting amplified target nucleic acid is provided wherein the presence and concentration of amplified target is determined by total internal reflection (TIR) and coupling of the target to the the TIR element by scissile linkage.

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